

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF INDIANA
INDIANAPOLIS DIVISION

STAVANGER HOLDINGS LTD,
KARL ANDERSEN,

Plaintiffs,

vs.

TRANEN CAPITAL LTD,
TRANEN CAPITAL ALTERNATIVE
INVESTMENT FUND, LTD.,
ARTHUR L. BOWEN,
KENNETH A. LANDGAARD,
THE LEO GROUP, LLC,

Defendants.

No. 1:12-cv-00646-WTL-DKL

ENTRY

On October 30, 2013, Counsel for Tranen Capital Ltd., Tranen Capital Alternative Investment Fund, Ltd., Arthur L. Bowen and Kenneth A. Landgaard (the “Tranen Defendants”) filed a Motion to Withdraw Appearances as a result of a fee dispute. [Dkt. 88.] Plaintiffs immediately filed an objection and a cross-motion for a telephone conference. [Dkt. 89]. Depositions of the Tranen Defendants are scheduled for November 4, 5 and 12, 2013. Plaintiffs assert that if Counsel for Tranen Defendants are permitted to withdraw immediately, it will delay the depositions for the foreseeable future.

A fee dispute can be a valid reason to withdraw representation, however it does not require mandatory withdrawal under Rule 1.16 of the Rules of Professional

Conduct. The parties set these depositions less than a month ago with the assistance of the Court. The Court finds it would prejudice the Plaintiffs to allow Counsel for Tranen Defendants to withdraw at this time. Therefore, the Court hereby sets the Motion to Withdraw Appearances for hearing at 3 p.m. EST on November 18, 2013, in Courtroom 243 of the United States Courthouse, 46 E. Ohio Street, Indianapolis, Indiana. The depositions shall occur as scheduled.

SO ORDERED.

Date: 11/01/2013



Denise K. LaRue
United States Magistrate Judge
Southern District of Indiana

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